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SOFT HANDOFF AND OTHER )  
DIVERSITY COMMUNICATION / )  
USING BASE STATIONS )  
SUPPORTING COMMON RADIO )  
CONFIGURATIONS )

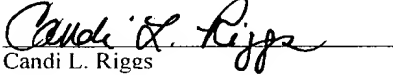
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.115 AND**  
**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed July 9, 2004, having a reply due date of October 9, 2004 (hereinafter "Office Action"). Reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks below.

It is not believed that any fee(s), including fees for additional claims, are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that additional fees are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is also hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

**Amendments** to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.